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**IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Jensen Peter AKKERMAN et al. Conf. No.: 7276  
Application No.: 10/587,165 Examiner: Jarreas C. Underwood  
Filing Date: July 16, 2007 Art Unit: 2877  
Title: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR DETECTING CONTAMINATION IN A  
CONTAINER  
Atty. Dkt. No.: 15112-000001/US

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**COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINER'S  
STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, provided with the Notice of Allowance dated June 15, 2010, Applicants submit the following comments.

The Examiner offers several reasons why the claims of the present application are allowable over the prior art of record. Although Applicants agree that the various claimed limitations mentioned in the claims are not taught or suggested by the prior art taken either singly or in combination, the claim language the Examiner has quoted related to independent claims 19, 24 and 26 do not match the limitations of these respective claims. Applicant submits that these claims are not limited by the

Examiner's comments. Rather, the claims are only limited by the specifically recited limitations included in the claims themselves.


Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Donald J. Daley, Reg. No. 34,313 at the telephone number of the undersigned below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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